

Turkey Run State Park Nature Center Programs

Tuesday & Wednesday, March 1-2
Nature Center CLOSED

Thursday-Friday, March 3-4
Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EST

10am Help Feed The Birds – Come to the nature center to help put out seed and suet, and then watch as wild birds and squirrels eat and interact. 30 minutes.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – Let a naturalist show you around the night sky. Discover tricks for locating constellations, hear some star stories, and find out which meteor shower is coming your way! 40 minutes. Nature Center.

Saturday, March 5
Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EST

Parke County Maple Syrup Fair this weekend

<http://www.coveredbridges.com/events/parke-county-maple-syrup-fair>

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

10:45am Find A Fossil! – Meet on the nature center front porch for a 45-minute moderately-rugged hike to search for fossils along the creek bank. You can keep them if you like!

10:30am-noon From Sap To Syrup – Taste your taste buds. Stop by the nature center & taste 3 grades of maple syrup.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Sunday, March 6
Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EST

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

10:45am Reptile Rendezvous – Come meet our captive reptiles, touch a live snake, and then watch as we offer food. Warning: live mice and worms may be consumed. 40 minutes (or until everyone's full). Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Monday & Thursday-Friday, March 7 & 10-11
Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EST

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Children younger than 14 must be with an adult while in the nature center or at programs.

Tuesday & Wednesday, March 8-9
Nature Center CLOSED

Saturday, March 12
Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EST

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

10:45am Snake Kites – Create a cryptically colored snake that will spin in the wind behind you. 30 minutes. Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

6pm Timberdoodling! – Gather at SHADES STATE PARK Pine Shelter (15 min. from Turkey Run) to search for salamanders & frogs & egg masses, & then watch the amazing courtship ritual of the American Woodcock (timberdoodle) as the males soar and circle and “peent” – all to get a girl. 2 hours.

Set Clocks ahead 1 hour tonight!

Sunday, March 13
Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EDT

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

11am Back To Life! – It's spring and our smallest winter warriors are emerging. Meet some LIVE spiders, salamanders and snakes, and discover how they made it through the winter. 30 minutes. Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Monday & Thursday-Friday, March 14 & 17-18
Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EDT

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Also on Thursday, March 17th

7pm Volunteer Meeting – Meet members of the Friends of Turkey Run and Shades in our monthly planning meeting and see how you can get involved here at the park. INN basement.

Tuesday & Wednesday, March 15-16
Nature Center CLOSED

Saturday, March 19
Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EDT

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

10:30am Woodpecker Walk – Join us at the nature center for a 1-hour moderate walk to find several types of woodpeckers and their homes. They may be feeding young!

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.
Reservations recommended!



**Become a park volunteer.
Stop by the nature center to
see how to get involved.
There's something to fit
everyone's likes and skills!**

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Sunday, March 20

Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EDT

10am Help Feed The Birds – Come to the nature center to help put out seed and suet, and then watch as wild birds and squirrels eat and interact. 30 minutes.

10:30am Armchair Birdwatch – Join the naturalist in the nature center Observation Room to ID and chat about birds that visit the feeding station. 30 minutes.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – Let a naturalist show you around the night sky. Discover tricks for locating constellations, hear some star stories, and find out which meteor shower is coming your way! 40 minutes. *Reservations recommended!* Nature Center.

Monday - Friday, March 21-25

Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EDT

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

10:45am-noon Having Fun With Nature – Stop by the nature center to make or experience something fun!

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing. *Reservations recommended!*

Saturday, March 26

Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EDT

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

10:30am Amazing Amphibians – Gather in the nature center auditorium to meet some live amphibians (salamanders & frogs) with expert Andrew Hoffman! 30 minutes.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing. *Reservations recommended!*

Sunday, March 27

Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EDT

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

10:45am Signs Of Spring – Meet in front of the nature center for a fun, moderately-rugged 1-hour hike. Plan to get your feet wet and your hands dirty during this awesome family program.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing. *Reservations recommended!*

Monday - Friday, March 28-April 1

Nature Center OPEN 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. EDT

10am Help Feed The Birds – Nature Center.

10:45am-noon Having Fun With Nature – Stop by the nature center to make or experience something fun!

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing. *Reservations recommended!*

Park Office: 765-597-2635

Chris Newcomb, Property Manager

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For additional interpretive programs, visit:

stateparks.IN.gov/2420.htm

Find us on Facebook by searching for

"Turkey Run and Shades state parks"

Find our "Friends" volunteer group on

Facebook by searching for

"Friends of Turkey Run and Shades State Parks"



www.INStateParks100.com

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**Hoosier Quest Program
Earn pins & patches!
Get started at the Nature Center**